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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 2109**  
Mitsuhiko SHIRAKASHI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_0413A  
Serial No. 10/573,915 : Group Art Unit 1792  
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A PROCESSING LIQUID COATING  
APPARATUS AND A PROCESSING  
LIQUID COATING METHOD :

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of June 11, 2009, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-6 and 11-17, drawn to a processing liquid coating apparatus, without traverse, for further prosecution. In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is respectfully requested.

*The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or to credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 23-0975, with the EXCEPTION of deficiencies in fees for multiple dependent claims in new applications.*

Respectfully submitted,

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